

## North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services

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## **MEMORANDUM**

To: Legislative Oversight Committee Members

Commission for MH/DD/SAS

Consumer/Family Advisory Committee Chairs State Consumer Family Advisory Committee

Advocacy Organizations and Groups

North Carolina Association of County Commissioners

County Managers

**County Board Chairs** 

North Carolina Council of Community Programs

State Facility Directors

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**DHHS** Division Directors

**Provider Organizations** 

MH/DD/SAS Professional Organizations and Groups MH/DD/SAS Stakeholder Organizations and Groups

Other MH/DD/SAS Stakeholders

From: Mike Moseley

Re: Communication Bulletin #031

LME/CFAC Relational Agreement



Appendix B in *State Plan 2003* outlined the essential elements of a Relational Agreement between the Consumer and Family Advisory Committee (CFAC) and the Governing Board of each Local Management Entity (LME). Since the issuance of that document, the Division has received numerous questions from stakeholders throughout the State that indicated a need for clarifying certain points in the Relational Agreement. The attached document has been amended to provide clarity and consistency and should be used by those organizations that have not yet entered into an agreement using the original document. Those Relational Agreements already in effect are valid and do not have to be amended or replaced. The changes made are not substantive and do not add or subtract from the intent of the original Relational Agreement. Rather, the changes that have been made are designed to provide clarity.

One change you will notice is that the new agreement does not require signature by Division staff. It was felt that because this is a local agreement between the CFAC and the Governing Board, Division approval is not necessary. However, the Division will continue to fulfill its role as outlined in the State Plan.

Please contact Ann Remington at (919) 715-3197 or via electronic mail at <a href="mailto:Ann.Remington@ncmail.net">Ann.Remington@ncmail.net</a> if you have questions.

## Attachment

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